

Task Force 2- 4 Infantry Regiment "TF WARRIOR" Postures for Mission in Afghanistan

The Commander of 2nd Battalion, 4th Infantry Regiment, LTC Sturek, and the Soldiers of Task Force Warrior assumed with a colors uncasing ceremony on March 24, 2006 in Afghanistan. The assumption of authority signifies TF Warrior's assumption of responsibility in the southern Afghan. The ceremony was attended by the Governor of Zabol Province, Gov. Delbar Arman, and the 10th Mountain Division Deputy Commanding General for Operations, BG Terry.

The ceremony completes a successful deployment for the 2nd Battalion 503rd Infantry (Airborne), based in Vicenza, Italy, and marks the beginning of operations for Task Force Warrior. The 2nd Battalion 503rd Infantry (Airborne), conducted ground and air based combat operations, empowered the local and regional Afghan Government, and assisted the Afghan National Army in maintaining security. The 2nd Battalion, 4th Infantry Battalion has know these responsibilities.

Task Force Warrior's deployment was the culmination of a year long period. The Battalion was reactivated on January 16, 2005 after being deactivated since May of 1991 in Europe. The unit quickly progressed from honing individual combat skills to battalion level training. Task Force Warrior participated in numerous field training exercises at Fort Polk, Louisiana; Fort Chaffee, Arkansas; command and staff exercises at Fort Drum, New York, and successfully completed a Mission Readiness Exercise during its Joint Readiness Training Center Rotation as part of its preparation to deploy to Afghanistan.

The deployment of 2nd Battalion, 4th Infantry to Afghanistan is the unit's first mission deployment since the Aleutian Island Campaign during World War II. The important mission the Task Force has been assigned will foster Afghan confidence in their own Government, Military, and help provide a secure environment for economic growth. The Soldiers of Task Force Warrior successfully prepared for the arduous task ahead, and they assume their role with confidence in support OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM.

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